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MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): YOSHIZAWA, Takenori and UMINO, Shigenobu

For: SUBSTRATE TRANSFER APPARATUS, METHOD FOR REMOVING THE SUBSTRATE, AND METHOD FOR ACCOMODATING THE SUBSTRATE

Enclosed are:

\boxtimes	A specification consisting of Fifty-three (53) pages					
\boxtimes	Fifteen (15) sheet(s) formal drawings					
\boxtimes	An assignment of the invention					
	Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27					
	Applicant does not claim priority					
\boxtimes	Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-348903 filed in JAPAN on November 29, 2002. Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto. Certified copy(ies) will follow.					
\boxtimes	Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)					

	Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
\boxtimes	Preliminary Amendment
\boxtimes	Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
	Other:
	Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
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Respectfully submitted,

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